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**NEW UTILITY APPLICATION REQUEST  
TRANSMITTAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)**

Docket No:P6451

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**This is a request for a filing of a new utility patent application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) for the following:**

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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONSTRUCTING WIRED-AND BUS  
SYSTEMS

**Enclosures**

- 45 Pages of Specification, including claims and abstract
- 19 Sheets of Formal Drawing(s)
- ☒ Application Data Sheet
- ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status
- ☒ Assignment(s) of the Invention and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet
- ☐ PTO 1449 and a copy of each cited reference
- ☐ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. §122(b)(2)(B)(i)
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☐ Other:

## Filing Fees

Claims as Filed					
	Claims Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number of Extra Claims	Rate	Fees Due
Basic Fee 37 CFR §1.16(a)					\$710.00
Total Claims (37 CFR §1.16(c))	20	- 20 =	0 X	\$18.00 =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims (37 CFR §1.16(b))	2	- 3 =	0 X	\$80.00 =	\$ 0.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity					\$ 0.00
Assignment Recording Fee					\$ 40.00
Total Filing Fee					<b>\$ 750.00</b>

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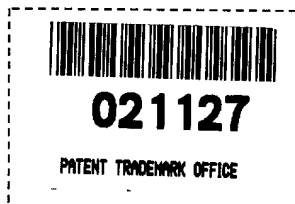
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